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The invention claimed is:

**1.** An immunogenic composition comprising:

- (i) a purified surface antigen, prepared from a cell culture-grown human influenza virus; and
- (ii) an adjuvant comprising an oil-in-water emulsion, wherein the composition is free from chicken DNA, ovalbumin and ovomucoid, and wherein the emulsion includes about 4.3% squalene by weight, about 0.5%

polysorbate 80 by weight and about 0.48% sorbitan trioleate by weight and has sub-micron droplets.

**2.** The composition of claim **1**, comprising purified surface antigens from more than one human influenza virus strain.

**3.** The composition of claim **2**, wherein the purified surface antigens are prepared from human influenza A virus and human influenza B virus.

**4.** The composition of claim **1**, wherein the purified surface antigen is from an H1 H2, H3, H5, H7 or H9 influenza A virus subtype.

**5.** The composition of claim **1**, wherein the composition contains from 0.1 to 20 µg of haemagglutinin per viral strain in the composition.

**6.** The composition of claim **1**, wherein the composition contains less than 10 ng of cellular DNA from the cell culture host, per 15 µg of haemagglutinin.

**7.** The composition of claim **1**, wherein the composition includes a 3-O-deacylated monophosphoryl lipid A.

**8.** A method for preparing an immunogenic composition comprising the steps of combining:

(i) a purified surface antigen, prepared from a cell culture-grown human influenza virus; and

(ii) an adjuvant comprising an oil-in-water emulsion, wherein the composition is free from chicken DNA, ovalbumin and ovomucoid, and wherein the emulsion includes about 4.3% squalene by weight, about 0.5% polysorbate 80 by weight and about 0.48% sorbitan trioleate by weight and has sub-micron droplets.

**9.** A kit comprising:

(i) a first kit component comprising a purified surface antigen, prepared from a cell culture-grown human influenza virus; and

(ii) a second kit component comprising an adjuvant comprising an oil-in-water emulsion, wherein the first kit component is free from chicken DNA, ovalbumin and ovomucoid, and wherein the emulsion includes about 4.3% squalene by weight, about 0.5% polysorbate 80 by weight and about 0.48% sorbitan trioleate by weight and has sub-micron droplets.

**10.** An immunogenic composition comprising:

(i) a purified surface antigen, prepared from a cell culture-grown human influenza virus; and

(ii) an adjuvant comprising an oil-in-water emulsion and a tocopherol, wherein the composition is free from chicken DNA, ovalbumin and ovomucoid, and wherein the emulsion includes about 4.3% squalene by weight, about 0.5% polysorbate 80 by weight and about 0.48% sorbitan trioleate by weight and has sub-micron droplets.

**11.** The composition of claim **10**, wherein the purified surface antigen is from an H1, H2, H3, H5, H7, or H9 influenza A subtype.

**12.** An immunogenic composition comprising:

(i) a purified surface antigen, prepared from a cell culture-grown virus; and

(ii) an adjuvant comprising an oil-in-water emulsion, wherein the composition is a trivalent vaccine comprising influenza antigens from one H1N1 influenza A strain, one H3N2 influenza A strain and one influenza B strain, wherein the composition is free from chicken DNA, ovalbumin and ovomucoid, and wherein the emulsion includes about 4.3% squalene by weight, about 0.5% polysorbate 80 by weight and about 0.48% sorbitan trioleate by weight and has sub-micron droplets.